

FISCAL NOTE

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April 28, 1999

SUMMARY OF BILL: Directs the Tennessee Historical Commission to erect appropriate historical markers commemorating the *Night Attack on Rives Farm* on State Route 59, both northbound and southbound, at such route's intersection with Interstate Highway 40 at Exit 35 in Fayette County. In addition to directional language relative to the geographical location of such Civil War incident, such historical markers shall contain substantially the following language:

Night Attack on Rives Farm

After 50 miles of forced march in pursuit of local guerillas who had robbed a train and passengers near Moscow, in March 1863, a detachment of the Sixth Illinois Cavalry camped 200 years north on the Rives Farm. While they slept, members of Col. Robert V. Richardson's notorious Twelfth Tennessee Cavalry, crept up a ravine and opened fire with shotgun and pistol, killing and wounding 55 Union men, including Lt. Jesse Wilson. The Federals returned fire and killed Maj. Berry Benson of the Twelfth and wounded Col. Richardson and others.

Provides that the erection of such historical markers shall be within the guidelines prescribed by the Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices.

Provides that this resolution shall become operative only if the Federal Highway Administrator advises the Commissioner of Transportation in writing that the provisions of this resolution shall not render Tennessee in violation of federal laws and regulations and subject to penalties prescribed therein.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase State Expenditures - \$2,950 One-Time

Estimate reflects the cost to erect two historical markers.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.



James A. Davenport, Executive Director

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